

## Community Dental Clinic On PTA Council's Agenda

North Torrance Elementary School was the setting for the January board meeting of Torrance PTA Council, presided over by Mrs. A. C. Turner, whose announcements included today's district conference at Compton College.

Following the president's presentation of "Rules for a Perfect Day," which she read as an inspirational message, she introduced the hostess president, Mrs. Ralph McBea, who in turn presented Donald Robison, principal.

Mrs. Grace Wright, member of the Board of Education, told of plans for construction of four new schools in the district, and stated that they would be ready for occupancy next September, provided the government does not halt such construction. Schools planned include El Nido, (hanging), Madrona Avenue (four grades 1 to 6), Hollywood Riviera (eight grades), and Greenwood Avenue 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

The possibility of organizing a community dental clinic was favorably discussed and plans were made to contact service clubs to enlist their assistance in the project.

Mrs. Victor Benard told of the origin and operation of Inglewood Dental Clinic in her former home. Plans to visit the Inglewood clinic were set for a later date.

Mrs. A. B. Cowie reported on a legislation meeting which she attended in Los Angeles, accompanied by Mrs. V. T. Vanderpool.

## Questionnaire Forms Basis For Discussion

"Does your child have too much or too little homework?" and "Does your child read more or less than you did as a child?" were typical of the questions which featured a panel discussion at the monthly meeting of Torrance High School PTA presided over by Mrs. Grover C. VanDeventer.

These and eight other questions had been sent to parents and returned with the answers. Composing the panel were Mrs. Alex Bates, Mrs. A. L. Jackson, Eugene S. Held, Howard McDonald, and John R. Steinbaugh.

The interesting and informative program was augmented by numbers by a group of Girls Glee Club members, directed by George Zavislan, and accompanied at the piano by Janet Fox.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by a committee of sophomore mothers, with Mrs. VanDeventer and Mrs. T. E. Hammack pouring.

## JANUARY CALENDAR FOR WSCS

Meetings of interest to members of Women's Society of Christian Service of First Methodist Church include a mid-year session of Southern California, Arizona Conference to be held January 22-24 in Long Beach First Methodist Church. A large representation will attend from Torrance, it was announced.

Plans for a rummage sale have been made by the Torrance WSCS and will be held at the church January 26-27.

An executive board meeting has been scheduled for January 29 at the home of Mrs. Marvin Hebert.

Missionary study will be held from 1 to 3 p. m., January 30, at the church. The session will mark the conclusion of the "Near East" study program by Mrs. Harry Gray.

Circle 6 will meet at 10:30 a. m., January 31, at the home of Mrs. Howard Fletcher, 20705 New Hampshire avenue.

First date on next month's calendar is a luncheon, February 1, at 12 noon, at the home of Mrs. John Keefe, 2259 Torrance boulevard.

## PTA Women Aid March Of Dimes.

The March of Dimes, annual fund-raising campaign of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis which opened Monday, Jan. 15, will end in Los Angeles County with the March of Mothers on Thursday, Feb. 2.

Both First and Tenth District, California, Congress of Parents and Teachers, are sponsoring this appealing and spectacular climax to the campaign.

Members of Lomita-San Pedro PTA Council of Tenth District are urged to volunteer their services on Thursday, Feb. 8, 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. Those persons wishing to contribute will designate it by turning on their porch lights and those in apartment houses will tie a shoe on their doorknob.

## Soroptimists' Diversified Programs Told

Diversified topics provided talk subject matter at the January 17 meeting of the Harbor District Soroptimist Club, with a representative from the Young Men's Christian Association as guest speaker.

On January 24 Mrs. Alladean Dossi, a club member, will give a talk concerning the El Cortego Kennels, of which she is owner.

At last week's meeting a letter from Miss Helen Burdick, former member and director of the Catholic Maritime Clubs in Wilmington and San Pedro, was read. Miss Burdick recently was transferred to Los Angeles, where she is in charge of the Catholic Welfare Club for servicemen.

Miss Whitlow announced that the club has been urged to support the Dollar Opera "Carmen" which will be presented January 30 under the auspices of the San Pedro Philharmonic and Artists Association.

Volunteer contributions of \$1 from each member were accepted, to be given to the Southwest Region Soroptimist division. The fund will provide two fellowships, one to assist young people in education and also to aid women in political science and allied fields. This is a southwest region project.

All seats are popularly priced at one dollar, plus federal tax, and may be obtained from Mrs. W. M. Schildmeyer, Mrs. Donald Olson or Mrs. H. V. Blakeley, Lomita committee members of the sponsoring Philharmonic and Artists Association. Torrance representatives of the sponsors include Mrs. Nadine Nickol and Mrs. Clarke B. Walsworth.



CONCERT PIANIST... Witold Maluczynski, celebrated Polish pianist, will be heard in three concerts this season, January 16 at Royce Hall, UCLA; January 19 at Philharmonic Auditorium; and January 23 at Pasadena Civic Auditorium. Sponsored by Moss-Hayman and Wilson concert

HOW ARE YOU DOING on the label-saving program for Torrance YWCA? Don't forget to call Elaine Williams at Lomita 2438-R so she may collect your labels. And if you've forgotten which labels, here they are again: Blue Hill Products (margarine, etc.); Marco dog and cat food; Star-kist Tuna, tropical Jams and Jellies, Banquet Chicken, Quick elastic liquid starch; Parson's Sudy ammonia. Remember, those teenagers would like to attend their next conference!

## Women of Moose Install 1951 Officers Wednesday

An impressive ceremony Wednesday evening in their clubhouse marked the annual installation of Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose. Grand installing officer was Graduate Grand Regent Bessie J. Lovett of Long Beach, who was assisted by College of Regents members Ann Wilken as guide; Ruth Kidd, assistant guide; and Ila Mae Ambach, regent. Graduate regents: Elsie Smith, as chaplain, and May Nelson as junior graduate regent, also assisted.

Officers seated include: Genevieve Clawson, senior regent; Alice Swanson, junior regent; Thelma Hill, recorder; Vertie Grimm, treasurer; Wilberta Heiman, chaplain; Marie Koshak, guide; and Helen Arm-

strong, assistant guide. The new senior regent urged a full attendance for the meeting of January 24. Marie Bankston, ritual chairman, calls attention to the chapter's next card party, Wednesday, February 7, at the Moose clubhouse.

Torrance graduate regents officiated Thursday at the burial services of their former recorder, Daisy Murray. A beautiful white Bible used in the service was the chapter's gift to her

family, together with their message of sympathy. Plans are being made for an initiation ceremony and members are working hard for its success.

Special honors were brought to the Torrance Chapter by their College of Regents member, Ila Mae Ambach, who was the only member of the College of Regents in the bay area to earn 100 per cent attendance at the year's meetings. Mrs. Ambach also serves the college as secretary.

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## District Meeting Attended By Torrance Junior Club

Mrs. R. C. Jones, press book chairman, and Mrs. H. P. Jensen, past president, represented the Torrance Junior Woman's Club at the Los Angeles District meeting held December 18 at the Downey Woman's Club.

Thirty-six clubs were represented and 310 members attended the December meeting to honor the senior presidents. Among the guests of honor were Mrs. Claude M. Sneden, Los Angeles District Senior President, and Mrs. J. C. Wenger, vice-president-at-large of the California Federation of Women's Clubs.

Carlene Bentley presented the Lennon Brothers Quartet who entertained with variety music and Christmas carols. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

The Junior Membership of the California Federation of Women's Clubs will hold its State Board Meeting on January 26-27 at Santa Maria. Headed by Mrs. Arthur E. Cron of San Diego, State Junior President, Juniors from all sections of

## PTA Sponsors Paper Drive, First Aid

At last Wednesday's meeting of North Torrance Elementary PTA plans were made for a paper drive for next Tuesday, January 23, according to Mrs. William Sale, ways and means chairman. Bundles of paper are to be tied and brought to the school on Tuesday, or donors without transportation may call Mrs. Sale.

Mrs. Delbert Alford, safety chairman, announced an 18-hour Red Cross First Aid class to be held at the school beginning Thursday, February 1, from 9:30 to 11:30 a. m.

Miss Olive Marshall's second grade room received the cookie jar this month in recognition of the largest representation at the session.

During the program that followed Mrs. Lyda Willis, kindergarten teacher, led community singing; Mrs. Laura Brown gave an interesting talk on her duties as school nurse; and Mrs. Sam Harris sang "You Are Always in My Heart" and "Sweetheart," accompanied by Mrs. Harry Van Bellehen.

Third grade mothers were hostesses at the tea hour.

California will convene to discuss and report their activities and progress in such fields as philanthropy, education, civic betterment and youth conservation.

Meeting will be hosted by the Santa Maria Community Juniors and greetings extended by the assembly by Mesdames LeLand H. Hughes, president of Los Angeles District, Dale Saunders, president of the Santa Maria Juniors, and Pierre Arreguy, chairman in charge of the two day event.

## 'Carmen' to Be Heard in San Pedro

Orlin Witecraft, who sings the role of Don Jose in Bizet's "Carmen" at the San Pedro High School auditorium January 30, is one of the many first-rate artists who will be heard in this performance.

Although most of his career has been made in this country, young Witecraft has also successfully appeared in opera and concert in Europe, notably in Paris.

His American operatic debut was made in the "Tales of Hoffman" with the Riverside Opera Association, and he subsequently sang in the "Merry Wives of Windsor" at the Hollywood Bowl and in many other Southland productions of opera, oratorio and concert.

The colorful, exciting music of "Carmen" is admirably suited to the lyric-dramatic tenor of young Witecraft, who will sing opposite Siron Mangurian as Carmen, and Yola Casselle as his peasant-sweetheart, Micaela. Other popular singers in the supporting cast are William Matchan as Escamillo and Stanley Kurtz as Morales.

The opera is being presented by the Los Angeles Conservatory of Music and Arts, and will be sung in English.

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